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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TRINIDAD, COLORADO, UPDATING THE
CITY OF TRINIDAD THREE-MILE AREA PLAN

WHEREAS, in June, 2008, the Trinidad City Council adopted the City of Trinidad Three-Mile Area Plan, pursuant to C.R.S. 31-12-105(e) and Resolution No. 1332; and

WHEREAS, a review of the Three-Mile Area Plan is required to be conducted annually and updates made accordingly; and

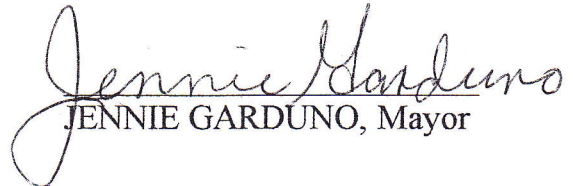
WHEREAS, Resolution No. 1344, adopted June, 2009, provided for an annual update to the original Three-Mile Area Plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 annual review of the Three-Mile Area Plan has been completed, which yielded updates required to be reflected in the Three-Mile Area Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TRINIDAD, COLORADO:

1. The attached Updated Three Mile Area Plan and Map are hereby adopted.
2. The City of Trinidad hereby designates the City of Trinidad Three-Mile Area Plan, dated June, 2008, and all subsequent revisions to said plan, as the Major Street Plan for the City of Trinidad, in conformance with the provisions of Section 31-23-212 of the Colorado Revised Statutes.
3. The City Clerk is directed to file a certified copy of the Updated Three-Mile Area Plan as the City's Major Street Plan, with the Las Animas County Clerk & Recorder.

INTRODUCED, READ, AND ADOPTED this 1st day of June, 2010.


JENNIE GARDUNO, Mayor

ATTEST:


AUDRA FATUR, City Clerk

2010 UPDATE: THREE-MILE AREA PLAN CITY OF TRINIDAD, COLORADO

INTRODUCTION

The City of Trinidad Three-Mile Area Plan is prepared and updated annually to comply with Section 31-12-105(1)(e)(I) of the Colorado Revised Statutes, as follows:

“... [N]o annexation may take place that would have the effect of extending a municipal boundary more than three miles in any direction from any point of such municipal boundary in any one year. Within said three-mile area, the contiguity required...may be achieved by annexing a platted street or alley, a public or private right-of-way, a public or private transportation right-of-way or area, or a lake, reservoir, stream, or other natural or artificial waterway. Prior to the completion of any annexation within the three-mile area, the municipality shall have in place a plan for that area that generally describes the proposed location, character, and extent of streets, subways, bridges, waterways, waterfronts, parkways, playgrounds, squares, parks, aviation fields, other public ways, grounds, open spaces, public utilities, and terminals for water, light, sanitation, transportation, and power to be provided by the municipality and the proposed land uses for the area. Such plan shall be updated at least once annually. Such three-mile limit may be exceeded if such limit would have the effect of dividing a parcel of property held in identical ownership if at least fifty percent of the property is within the three-mile limit. In such event, the entire property held in identical ownership may be annexed in any one year without regard to such mileage limitation. Such three-mile limit may also be exceeded for the annexation of an enterprise zone.”

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The location and extent of physical features, such as streams (waterways), lakes (waterfronts), open spaces (forested and agricultural), and public ways (streets, bridges, aviation fields, etc.) within the Three-Mile Area are described on the attached map. In addition, the character of these and other Three-Mile Area components (parks, playgrounds, squares, grounds, public utilities, terminals, etc.) are described and classified into the following three categories:

Transportation

Within the three-mile area of Trinidad, streets are delineated as interstate highway, U.S. or State highway, and County road. Streets within the City of Trinidad are functionally classified as principal arterial, minor arterial, major collector, and local roads.

In general, CDOT is responsible for the maintenance and improvement of regional arterial roads and bridges, inclusive of interstate highways (I-25), U.S. highways (US 160, US 350), and State highways (SH 12, SH 239). Las Animas County is responsible for the maintenance and improvement of County roads and bridges. The City of Trinidad is responsible for the maintenance and improvement of approximately 78.4 miles of arterial, collector and local roads and bridges within its boundaries that are not otherwise maintained by either CDOT or Las Animas County.

One aviation field serves the region, yet it is located outside the Three-Mile Plan Area. The Perry Stokes Airport, located 10 miles northeast of Trinidad off US 350, provides general aviation services, including hanger rental, tie downs, and fueling.

The Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) railroad runs through the Three Mile Area, Burlington Northern Santa Fe provides freight rail service to the region, and shares track rights with the Union Pacific Railroad. Passenger rail service is provided by Amtrak's Southwest Chief route.

Bus service is operated by the Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma transit service (TNM&O). TNM&O is a subsidiary of Greyhound Lines that primarily operates on the I-25 corridor.

There are no existing or proposed subways in the Three-Mile Plan Area.

Utilities

The City of Trinidad provides treated water within its service areas, which includes approximately 550 customers outside the City limits and within the Three-Mile Plan Area. Although the City's water sources (North Lake and Monument Lake) and treatment facility are located outside of the Three-Mile Plan Area, a 5.0 million gallon water tank and the majority of the water distribution system are located within the incorporated limits of Trinidad.

The City of Trinidad also provides wastewater collection service within its service areas. The City of Trinidad Wastewater Treatment Plant is located on a 22.2-acre parcel north of the US 160 bypass and east of Interstate Highway 25.

The City of Trinidad owns and maintains approximately 70 miles of an electric distribution system, serving 5,100 customer accounts within the Three-Mile Plan Area. Although it formerly generated its own power and still owns a power plant, the City purchases its power from the Arkansas River Power Authority. The City power plant is now used for emergency generation.

The City of Trinidad also owns and maintains a natural gas distribution system within the Three-Mile Plan Area. Natural gas is currently supplied by the National Public Gas Association through a master meter located just east of the City limits.

Refuse service is provided by private contractors within the Three Mile Area and the landfill is located on State Street. The landfill has an estimated life of 24 years. Recycling is available at the Las Animas County Rehabilitation Center on Congress Drive in the City's Industrial Park.

Recreation

Trinidad State Recreation Area and the Las Animas County Fairgrounds are located within the Three-Mile Plan Area. In addition, there are nine developed public parks (several with playgrounds) and two golf courses within the Trinidad city limits. The Trinidad Riverwalk provides a recreational trail within the Three-Mile Area, with future expansion planned.

PROPOSED LAND USE

The proposed land use for the Three-Mile Plan Area is classified into the following five categories:

Agricultural

The Agricultural land use category is intended to be consistent with the objectives of the Las Animas County Agriculture (A) zoning district. The Agricultural category is for the purpose of

protecting productive agricultural lands and preserving the visual and cultural values associated with agricultural lifestyles within the Three-Mile Plan Area.

Ranchette

The Ranchette land use category is intended to be consistent with the objectives of the Las Animas County Ranchette (R) zoning districts. The Ranchette category is for the purpose of allowing rural residential development compatible with agricultural uses.

Rural Residential

The Rural Residential land use category is intended to be consistent with the objectives of the Las Animas County Rural Residential (RR) zoning district. The Rural Residential category is for the purpose of allowing low density residential development generally in those areas on the fringes of Trinidad which are more conducive to development because of the general availability of public services and facilities.

Urban Residential

The Urban Residential land use category is intended to be consistent with the objectives of the Las Animas County Urban Residential (U-R) zoning district. The Urban Residential category allows development in those areas immediately adjacent to the City of Trinidad, which would be conducive to more intense development because of the availability of utility systems.

Planned Unit Development

The Planned Unit Development land use category is intended to be consistent with the objectives of the Las Animas County Planned Unit Development (PUD) zoning district. The Planned Unit Development land use category is for the purpose of encouraging creative planning. The overall density of a PUD may exceed the density specified in the zoning districts in which it is located, with variances from the normal zoning and subdivision requirements, such as those governing setbacks.

Upon annexation, the City of Trinidad reserves the municipal authority to zone land consistent with the City of Trinidad Comprehensive Plan, and the objectives of the Trinidad City Council and the annexing land owner/developer.

POLICIES

TMAP-1

All annexations shall be in conformance with the provisions of Section 31-12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes. In particular, a community of interest shall exist between the City of Trinidad and any area proposed for annexation, with clear support by existing and/or potential City residents. The Three-Mile Area Plan shall be reviewed and updated annually, incorporating any municipal boundary adjustments and related three-mile area boundary adjustments as necessary.

TMAP-2

As required, a fiscal impact report shall be completed and submitted concurrent with a petition for annexation of ten acres or more. Fiscal impacts associated with an annexation shall be adequately offset by a) increased tax base within the annexation area, b) increased tax base elsewhere within the City of Trinidad, and/or c) the overall economic benefit to the City of Trinidad.

TMAP-3

The Three-Mile Area Plan shall be filed with the Las Animas County Clerk as the Major Street Plan for the City of Trinidad, in conformance with the provisions of Section 31-23-212 of the Colorado Revised Statutes. All right-of-way for arterial, collector and local streets shall be dedicated in accordance with City of Trinidad subdivision regulations.

TMAP-4

The City of Trinidad shall maintain its capability to provide adequate levels of service. Petitioners are responsible for meeting the provisions contained in Section 29-20-303 through 305 of the Colorado Revised Statutes relating to an adequate water supply prior to the submittal of an annexation request. Annexation or annexation agreements, as determined by the City, shall be required as a condition of connecting to the City of Trinidad water and/or sanitary sewer system. Lands needed for public purposes (parks, trails, fire stations, etc.) shall be dedicated to the City of Trinidad or other appropriate public entity. Direct costs of services and infrastructure associated with an annexation shall be borne by the petitioner. All improvements shall be constructed in accordance with City of Trinidad or other appropriate public entity design standards, with performance surety in place.

TMAP-5

All annexation shall be consistent with sound land use planning principles, furthering the purposes of managing growth, ensuring compatibility between urban and rural development patterns, containing urban form, and protecting environmental resources. The existing and/or proposed land use associated with annexation shall be in conformance with the City of Trinidad Comprehensive Plan. All development associated with annexation shall be in compliance with the City of Trinidad Municipal Code.

TMAP-6

Corridor Planning Areas (CPA's) shall be established for major entry corridors into Trinidad. CPA's shall correspond to the major gateways of Trinidad, including I-25, US Highway 160, and State Highway 12, where urban services are available or may become available. The City of Trinidad shall coordinate land use planning activities with Las Animas County in CPA's.

Three-Mile Area Plan

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Trinidad Comprehensive Plan

DISCLAIMER: This map is for general planning purposes only and is subject to updates and changes. Any user should check with the City of Trinidad prior to use to be sure that the data shown is current. Because of the scale of the map, any user should not rely on this map for the exact definition of any boundary or division line shown on said map.

This map is based on information from numerous sources and the accuracy of which is not guaranteed by the City of Trinidad. The City of Trinidad is not responsible and shall not be liable to the user for damage of any kind arising from the data or information shown on this map.

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Legend

- City Principal Arterial
- City Minor Arterial
- City Major Collector
- City Local Road
- Interstate 25
- US or State Highway
- County Road

Proposed Land Use

- Agricultural
- Ranchette
- Rural Residential
- Urban Residential
- Planned Unit Development

Corridor Planning Area

- Three-Mile Area
- Park
- Las Animas County Fairgrounds
- Trinidad State Recreation Area
- Municipal Power Plant
- Waste Water Treatment Plant

Simpson's Rest

- Trinidad Landfill
- Existing Trail
- Proposed Trail

- Railroad
- Purgatoire River
- Lake
- City of Trinidad Boundary
- Las Animas County

STATE OF COLORADO)
) ss
COUNTY OF LAS ANIMAS)

I, Audra Fatur, City Clerk of the City of Trinidad, in the County
and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Resolution No. 1356
is a true and correct copy of the original as filed in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall,
135 North Animas Street, Trinidad, Colorado.

Further, that said Resolution No. 1356 was introduced, read and adopted at
a Regular Meeting thereof on the 1st day of June, 2010, and approved by a unanimous
vote of Councilmembers present.

WITNESS my hand and the official seal of said City of Trinidad, this 2nd day of
June, 2010.

CITY OF TRINIDAD, COLORADO

(SEAL)



Audra Fatur, City Clerk